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9-4-75

Mr. Adams

Legal Counsel

HOUSTUDY

The Department, by letter dated 9-4-75, referred a request from the House Select Committee dated 9-2-75 addressed to Mr. Michael E. Shaheen, Special Counsel for Intelligence Coordination, Office of the Deputy Attorney General, signed by A. Searle Field, Staff Director. The letter requests [redacted]

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On 9-3-75 it was brought to the attention of Michael E. Shaheen, Jr., Special Counsel for Intelligence Coordination, and his Deputy, Steven Blackburst, that the aforementioned matter was under review by the Department to determine if there was criminal conduct by Bureau personnel and that the inquiry into this matter by the FBI was still continuing.

We have also received a request concerning the aforementioned matter from Congressman Dale Milford of Texas, who is a member of this Committee. Since this is an ongoing inquiry, we obviously are not in a position to make available documents relating to this matter nor are we in a position to make available SA Hosty for interview. As an alternative, it would appear advantageous to brief Congressman Milford and Congressman Pike, the Chairman of the House Select Committee, concerning this matter. It would also appear advantageous to similarly brief an appropriate representative of the Senate Select Committee since they have been conducting an inquiry into the assassination of President Kennedy along the same lines as the House Select Committee briefing.

Enclosure

1 - Mr. Adams - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Bassett - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Callagher - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Wannall - Enclosure
1 - Personnel File SA James P. Hosty, Jr.
1 - Mr. Mintz - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Cregar - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Hotis - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Daly - Enclosure

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RECOMMENDATION

That general briefings of the House Select Committee and Senate Select Committee be given concerning the above-described matter.